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## *Saluting Employees*

### **CJAD Skills Conference connects, educates community justice professionals**

In July, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) Community Justice Assistance Division (CJAD) held its 23rd Skills for Effective Intervention Conference in Austin. This year's conference, held during the American Probation and Parole Association's annual Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week, featured speakers who shared information about community supervision programs and techniques which

best support positive outcomes with the probation population.

CJAD Director Carey Welebob described the conference as a learning forum where community corrections supervisors learn how to best implement evidence-based practices while continuing to meet the challenge of providing for public safety. "The Skills Conference was the perfect opportunity to cele-

brate our profession's commitment to changing lives and helping give others the ability to create a bright future," Welebob said.

More than 200 community supervision professionals attended the four-day conference where they were given an opportunity to attend presentations by more than 30 speakers. ●



TDCJ CJAD Director Carey Welebob instructs participants on how to best incorporate changing criminal justice procedures into daily professional life.